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6 May 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Lunch with John T. Conway and George F. Murphy
of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy

1. Admiral Taylor, Mr. Maury, [redacted] and I had lunch today with Messrs. Conway and Murphy in the Director's dining room.

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2. Roughly the first half of the session consisted of a rather wandering conversation generally inspired by Mr. Murphy, in an always positive and sometimes bellicose manner. Mr. Conway, throughout the conversation, was relatively reasonable. Much of this revolved around various assertions by Murphy about the lack of

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3. Admiral Taylor carried most of the burden of responding. He was so urbanely bland that Murphy finally pretty well ran out of steam.

4. Murphy eventually indicated that one of the principal reasons for their coming to see us was to discuss the letter which Conway had sent to the Director, asking that CIA assess the state of [redacted] efforts against American industrial and other establishments. Admiral Taylor explained to the visitors' apparent satisfaction that basically this kind of question is not within the purview of the foreign intelligence community nor of CIA as a part of that community, but that primary responsibility rests with DOD, FBI and AEC. He said that counterintelligence leads received abroad would be passed by CIA as appropriate to the FBI and others. Murphy indicated that he and other members of the committee staff would like to maintain contact with "operating people" in CIA. He referred to a session which [redacted] had had with him with respect to Soviet disinformation efforts. Admiral Taylor said that while we would not want to get into a formal arrangement for continuing contact between CIA operations officers and the committee's staff, we would of course be very glad to assist wherever possible within the limits of our responsibilities.

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5. During the course of the discussion, Admiral Taylor made in a number of ways the point that a great many security cases have been uncovered not only in foreign countries but in the U. S. as well, and that it still is necessary to continue contacts with these other countries. Mr. Conway, particularly, seemed to accept this point. I worked in references to the USIB assessment of [] security and net advantage in intelligence exchange. The visitors seemed less interested in the substance of those assessments than in the extent to which the USIB committee had gone into the question of [] espionage efforts directed against U. S. industrial establishments. I explained that while AEC and FBI had been particularly concerned with this problem, we had not included it in our report since it was not within the purview of the USIB as such; I had, however, in recognition of the importance of the matter, made a point of mentioning it to the USIB orally and it had been reflected in the Minutes. 25X6 25X6

6. The luncheon broke up with apparently genuine statements of satisfaction from the visitors, particularly a bouquet from Mr. Conway for [] continued performance with the committee. 25X1A

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Mr. Arthur B. Focke
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Dear Mr. Focke:

This is in response to your letter dated 20 May 1968 requesting the views of the Central Intelligence Agency on a proposed Executive Order entitled "Prescribing Procedures Governing Interdepartmental Cash Awards to Members of the Armed Forces."

The Central Intelligence Agency has no objection to this proposed Executive Order.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

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